



Recovery Update from the Iowa Office of Energy Independence

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Thank you for your patience as the Office of Energy Independence (OEI) has been reviewing guidance for the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and assessing its opportunities for the State of Iowa.

We were recently notified that OEI would receive \$40,546,000 in federal funding for Iowa's **State Energy Program** (SEP). Our initial application for how we plan to implement this program is currently being reviewed by the Department of Energy (DOE). The activities plan for that application is attached above. It includes:

- \$19 million in cost share for energy projects in public facilities
- \$2 million in grants for demonstrations of commercialized, but under-utilized technologies (solar and small off-grid wind, for example)
- \$6 million in a revolving loan fund for energy projects in non-profit facilities
- \$10 million in a revolving loan fund for energy projects in agricultural, industrial, and commercial facilities
- \$1 million in grants for short-term training initiatives, not otherwise funded through the Department of Labor

In addition to the SEP, OEI will receive \$9,593,500 in funding for an **Energy Efficiency & Conservation Block Grants Program**.

- The Block Grants Program will be directed to cities and counties for energy efficiency activities at the local level
- Larger cities and counties will receive their funding directly from the Department of Energy (a list of these cities and counties is available at <http://www.eecbg.energy.gov/States/IA.xls>)
- Those cities and counties not listed in the above website will be able to apply for funding through OEI
- We will release guidance on implementation for this program as it is received
- More information on eligible activities and general program requirements can be found at <http://www.eecbg.energy.gov/>

Details for the **Energy Efficiency Rebates Program** are still yet to be released.

While there is enormous potential in the three programs for which OEI is guaranteed funding, there are many **competitive opportunities** that will be available as well.

- Altogether, there is more than \$19.5 billion in competitive energy funding that both OEI and public and private parties will be able to seek
- Most of the rules for these opportunities are still being created by DOE



- Included below are the Recovery funding announcements released by DOE so far
- We will continue to update you with these announcements as we receive them and look forward to serving as a resource to you and your organizations as you apply for them

We have held several meetings with interested parties from both the public and private sectors on how to best administer Iowa's Recovery funding.

- We appreciate the ideas and discussions from these meetings and intend to continue them in the future
- The minutes from each of these events will be posted for public viewing on OEI's Recovery website at <http://www.energy.iowa.gov/ARRA09/index.html>

Again, thank you for working with our Office as we begin administering these Recovery programs. Although the process has been challenging so far, it's also an incredibly exciting time for our state and for our country.

We look forward to working with you in the coming weeks.

Funding Opportunity Announcements

Recovery Act – Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=gyScJLCZ2YyjkhxGTJpJZhIDfhvjLt3QyJs2cC6GtQ46wZIQpQMh!1199196891?oppld=46340&flag2006=false&mode=VIEW>

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Funding for National Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=vLPjJ5TbpzJvg4vGrp072cn0J6Qn2LH3WGhKTcdsJ1Ch3Kq9krFB!1057178580?oppld=45799&flag2006=false&mode=VIEW>

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Funding for SmartWay Clean Diesel Finance Program

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=vLPjJ5TbpzJvg4vGrp072cn0J6Qn2LH3WGhKTcdsJ1Ch3Kq9krFB!1057178580?oppld=45797&flag2006=false&mode=VIEW>

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Funding for Clean Diesel Emerging Technologies Program

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=vLPjJ5TbpzJvg4vGrp072cn0J6Qn2LH3WGhKTcdsJ1Ch3Kq9krFB!1057178580?oppld=45798&flag2006=false&mode=VIEW>

Recovery Act – Transportation Electrification

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=7XjPJk4KJxV6hVQZkFTbs0fsqxpQyBXnJVc6DGQl9Mv6HX36bhhf!1199196891?oppld=46161&flag2006=false&mode=VIEW>



Recovery Act - Electric Drive Vehicle Battery and Component Manufacturing Initiative Grant

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=false&oppld=46164>

Recovery Act – State Energy Program

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=gyScJLCZ2YyikhxGTJpJZhIDfhvjLt3QyJs2cC6GtQ46wZlQpQMh!1199196891?oppld=46184&flag2006=false&mode=VIEW>